HB 700 -- Advanced Practice Nurses

Sponsor: Behnen

This bill contains provisions relating to the licensing of advanced practice nurses and licensed practical nurses. The bill:

- (1) Establishes definitions for "advanced practice nursing" and "advanced practice registered nurse";
- (2) Requires applicants for license to practice as an advanced practice nurse to demonstrate to the State Board of Nursing completion of certain educational and experience requirements;
- (3) Exempts educational requirements for applicants who have earned a professional nursing degree and have enrolled in accredited programs for advanced practice registered nurses prior to September 1, 2003, and earned their advanced practice nurse degree prior to December 31, 2005;
- (4) Contains provisions regarding exemptions from licensing requirements for those persons currently recognized by the board as advanced practice nurses;
- (5) Allows for the issuance of temporary permits for advanced practice nurses; and
- (6) Allows licensed practical nurses to administer intravenous fluids.